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Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the following documents, copies of which are attached to this statement, are made of record on the enclosed sheet.

A concise explanation of the relevance of the references listed on page 1 on the attached Form 1449 is that we are advised by our client that these references were discovered during any searches they or their client had made, or that they were considered in the preparation of the application.

In addition, the remaining documents, listed on page 2 of the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of which are attached to this statement, are also made of record on the enclosed sheet.

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A concise explanation of the relevance of these latter items is that we are advised by our client that these references were cited by the Patent Office in the corresponding Swedish application Serial No. 00/01621. A copy of the Swedish International-Type Search Report in which they were cited is attached hereto.

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